HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1006 By Pleasant

A RESOLUTION to recognize Linda L. Burton of Memphis for meritorious service.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of service; and

WHEREAS, Linda L. Burton was born in Memphis on January 18, 1946, to the late Tim R. Prosser and his wife Bessie M. Prosser; she grew up in the communities of Brunswick, Cordova, Germantown, and Arlington, Tennessee, and graduated from Bolton High School in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Linda Burton has served with acumen and alacrity as a valued employee of the Arlington Developmental Center in Memphis since 1968, where she has formed a large number of friendships during her many years of devoted service; a consummate professional, she has progressed through the ranks from secretary to Procurement Officer, and has held this title since 1996, having earned the unbridled respect and admiration of her superiors and colleagues alike for the exceptional quality of her service; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Burton is a longtime resident of Memphis and a well-known and highly respected member the Arlington community; and

WHEREAS, Linda L. Burton is an active and devout member of the Arlington Church of Christ, which she has served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, devoted to her family, Ms. Burton is the mother of one son, Philip W. Burton, and his wife, Autumn Stubbs Burton; she is exceptionally fond of her grandchild, Shyanne Autumn Burton, who was born April 18, 2005, and who has spent the last year entertaining and amazing everyone she meets with her loving and outgoing personality; and

WHEREAS, Linda Burton continues to miss the love and companionship of her late husband, George E. Burton, to whom she was married for 36 years; she has fond memories of

supporting him while he served as a Webelos and Boy Scout leader with Troop 285 at Saint Ann Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Linda Burton enjoys spending time with her sister, Ruby M. Hannah; two nephews; and three great-nephews; and

WHEREAS, Linda L. Burton exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize Linda L. Burton for her meritorious service to the citizens of Memphis and the great State of Tennessee, and extend to her our heartfelt wishes for happiness and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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